



**U.S. Department of Justice**

*United States Attorney  
Eastern District of California*

501 I Street, Suite 10-100  
Sacramento, California 95814

916/554-2700  
Fax 916/554-2900

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
December 8, 2003

**ORLAND WOMAN SENTENCED TO  
24 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR BANK FRAUD AND  
CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS STOLEN U.S. MAIL**

**The Defendant's Crime Partner Also Received A 24 Month Sentence**

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that defendant Teresa Diane Davis, 34, of Orland, California was sentenced for bank fraud and for her participation in a conspiracy to burglarize and thereby steal U.S. Mail from U.S. Post Offices. The burglarized U.S. Post Offices are located in Hamilton City, California and Orland, California.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Michelle Rodriguez, on September 8, 2003 Davis pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit bank fraud, and conspiracy to possess stolen U.S. Mail. Earlier, on October 27, 2003, Davis' crime partner, Jeremy Shane Knight, 22, of Orland, California was sentenced for his participation in the conspiracy to possess stolen U.S. Mail. Knight was also convicted of two counts of post office burglary. Knight admitted that he had pried open U.S. Post Office lobby boxes with the assistance of Davis -- acting as a lookout -- on numerous occasions between April 2, 2003 and April 9, 2003. After obtaining stolen U.S. Mail via the defendants' post office burglaries, Davis and Knight conspired to use certain financial and identification documents contained in the stolen mail. The defendants' scheme also involved cashing stolen checks to obtain money from federally insured financial institutions. Both Davis and Knight were arrested on April 9, 2003. Davis and Knight received identical sentences: 24 months federal prison followed by three years of supervised release. In addition, each defendant has been ordered to make restitution to the United States for the damage caused to the historic post office lobby boxes and to the financial institution victims.

This case was investigated by the United States Postal Inspection Service in conjunction with the Orland Police Department, and the Glenn County Sheriff's Department.

\* \* \*